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ORDER RECORDED UNDER CODE OF VIRGINIA SECTION 45.1.361.26

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

APPLICANT: Chesa	peake Appalachia LLC) VIRGINIA GAS) AND OIL BOARD
RELIEF SOUGHT:	EXCEPTION TO STATEWIDE SPACING LIMITATINS PRESCRIBED BY VA. CODE § 45.1-361.17(a)(2) FOR WELL 826642	DOCKET NO. 08/02/19-2144
LEGAL DESCRIPTION	r:	
826642 TO B DEPICTED ON Buchanan En Hurley QUAD Knox MAGIST Buchanan CO (the "Subjet described of	IIT SERVED BY WELL NUMBERED BE DRILLED IN THE LOCATION I EXHIBIT A HERETO, BERGY CO. LLC Tract DRANGLE, CERIAL DISTRICT, DUNTY, VIRGINIA Ect Lands" are more particularly on Exhibit "A" attached hereto part hereof)	

REPORT OF THE BOARD

FINDINGS AND ORDER

- Hearing Date and Place: This matter came on for hearing before the Virginia Gas and Oil Board (hereafter "Board") at 9:00 a.m. February 19, 2008 Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center on the campus of Virginia Highlands Community College, Abingdon, Virginia.
- 2. Appearances: James E. Kaiser appeared for the Applicant.
- 3. Jurisdiction and Notice: Pursuant to Va. Code § 45.1-361.1 et seq., the Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the subject matter. Based upon the evidence presented by Applicant, the Board also finds that the Applicant has (1) exercised due diligence in conducting a meaningful search of reasonably available sources to determine the identity and whereabouts of each gas and oil owner, coal owner, or mineral owner having an interest in Subject Drilling Unit underlying and comprised of Subject Lands; (2) has represented to the Board that it has given notice to those parties (hereafter sometimes "person(s)" whether referring to individuals, corporations, partnerships, associations, companies, businesses, trusts, joint ventures or other legal entities) entitled by Va. Code § 45.1-361.19 to notice of this application. Further, the Board has caused notice of this hearing to be published as required by Va. Code § 45.1-361.19.B. Whereupon, the Board hereby finds that the notices given

herein satisfy all statutory requirements, Board rule requirements and the minimum standards of state due process.

- 4. Relief Requested: Applicant requests (1) an exception to the statewide spacing limitations set forth in Va. Code § 45.1-361.17 for Well No. 826642.
- 5. Relief Granted: The requested relief in this cause be and hereby is granted. The Board hereby grants Applicant consent to permit and drill proposed Well No. 826642, 2271.92 feet from Well No. 826641, at the locations depicted on the Plat attached hereto;
- 6. Special Findings: The Board specifically and specially finds:
 - 6.1. Applicant is Chesapeake Appalachia LLC Applicant is duly authorized and qualified to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia;
 - 6.2. Applicant <u>Chesapeake Appalachia LLC</u> is an operator in the Commonwealth of Virginia and has satisfied the Board's requirements for operations in Virginia;
 - 6.3. Applicant claims ownership of Conventional Gas leases on 100% percent of Subject Drilling Unit and the right to explore for, develop and produce Gas from same, i.e., Well No. 826642, as well as from reciprocal well, i.e., Well No. 826641.
 - 6.4. The proposed Well <u>826642</u> is located on a surface, coal, oil and gas tract known as <u>Buchanan Energy Co. LLC Tract</u>, and the surface, coal, gas and oil owner has consented to the proposed location for Well <u>826642</u> that is depicted on the Plat attached hereto as Exhibit A;
 - 6.5. The Applicant testified it has the right to operate and develop the reciprocal Well No. 826641 and that the granting of the application filed herein will not impact the correlative rights of any person;
 - 6.6. An exception to the well spacing requirements of Va. Code § 45.1-361.17 for Well 826642 is necessary to efficiently drain a portion of the common sources of supply (reservoir) underlying Subject Drilling Unit, and the Board's granting of the requested location exception is in the best interest of preventing the waste of 300 million cubic feet of Conventional Gas underlying Subject Drilling Unit, and to generally effect the purposes of the Virginia Gas and Oil Act;
 - 6.7. Applicant proposes the drilling of Well No. 826642 to a depth of 5960 feet on the Subject Drilling Unit at the location depicted in Exhibit A to produce all the Mississippian and Devonian age formations including, but not limited to Big Lime, Weir, Berea, Gordon and Devonian Shale from surface to a total depth of 5960 feet (Subject Formations");

- 6.8. Applicant proposes to drill Well No. 826642 a distance of 228.08 feet closer to Gas Well 826641, than the 2500 feet mandated by statewide spacing;
- 7. Applicant proposes to complete and operate Well 826642 for the purpose of producing Conventional Gas;
- 8. Conclusion: Therefore, the requested relief and all terms and provisions set forth above be and hereby are granted and IT IS SO ORDERED.
- 9. Appeals: Appeals of this Order are governed by the provisions of Va. Code Ann. § 45.1-361.9 which provides that any order or decision of the Board may be appealed to the appropriate circuit court. Such appeals must be taken in the manner prescribed in the Administrative Process Act, Va. Code Ann. § 9-6.14:1 et seq. and Rule 2A of the Rules of the Virginia Supreme Court.
- 10. Effective Date: This Order shall be effective as of the date of

the Board's approval of this Application, which is set forth at Paragraph 1 above.
DONE AND EXECUTED this 20th day of Much, 2008 by a majority of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board. Chairman, Benny R. Wampler
DONE AND PERFORMED this 2002 day of March, 2008 by Order of this Board.
B. R. Wilson Principal Executive to the Staff Virginia Gas and Oil Board
STATE OF VIRGINIA) COUNTY OF WASHINGTON)
Acknowledged on this day of buch ,2008,

personally before me a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, appeared Benny Wampler, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Chairman of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, and B. R. Wilson, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Principal Executive to the Staff of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that they executed the same and was authorized to do so.

Diane Davis, Notary

My commission expires: September 30, 2009.

